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FOR SECRETARY'S PARTY (SISCO AND ATHERTON)

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR LY

SUBJECT: NORTHROP PAGE PROPOSAL FOR LIBYAN AIR DEFENSE SYSTEM

REF: STATE 88896

1. WE HAD NOT RPT NOT HEARD VAGUE REPORT ALLEGING LARG IS PLANNING TO SEND 6-10 MEMBER HIGH LEVEL DELEGATION TO U.S. WILL REPORT ANY NEW INFO.
2. WE WOULD NOT RULE OUT POSSIBILITY THAT RCC MIGHT DECIDE TO SEND ANOTHER HIGH LEVEL REP TO WASHINGTON IF THEY THOUGHT THERE WAS PROBABILITY THIS WOULD OBTAIN RELEASE OF THEIR C-130'S AND POSSIBLY APPROVAL FOR PAGE CONTRACT. RELUCTANCE TO DATE TO DO SO APPEARS TO BE FEAR OF TARNISHING THEIR REVOLUTIONARY REPUTATION.
3. VAGUE REPORT COULD BE RELATED TO COMMENT LOCKHEED SALES DIRECTOR COWDEN MADE RATHER WIDELY TO CONTACTS HERE LAST MONTH THAT USG WAS PREPARED TO ENGAGE IN HIGH LEVEL
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DIALOGUE WITH LIBYANS. IN ADDITION, THERE WAS WEEKS OLD

TRIPOLI NEWS ITEM THAT LARG WOULD SEND DELS TO LONDON,
MOSCOW AND WASHINGTON. SINCE PRIMIN JALLUD IS GOING TO
MOSCOW AND PROBABLY WILL GO TO LONDON, SOME DIPLOMATS HAVE
BEEN WILLING TO ASSUME HE WOULD ALSO VISIT WASHINGTON.

4. PAGE VP KINNALLY VISITED EMBASSY THREE DAYS AGO.
NEITHER OF US COULD UNDERSTAND WHY COL. JUMA OR OTHER
NEGOTIATORS WERE NOT READY TO TALK TO KINNALLY.
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